

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

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Commander

To all United States Southern Command Personnel:

Each year on Veteran's Day, we pay homage to the millions of brave men and women who have faithfully served in our nation's Armed Forces. With their service and sacrifice, they have secured the freedom and liberty we continue to uphold and defend today.

This November 11th, Americans will proudly display our national colors and make special efforts to thank veterans young and old. Some will pause to reflect on the many sacrifices of loved ones who may have died wearing the uniform of military service. All of us who serve our nation should take a moment to do the same.

American patriotism and support for the military is evident across this great country. Our duty now, as it has always been, is to continue our proud tradition of courage, determination and selfless service. America is proud of each and every one of you for your unwavering dedication. I thank you for your continued service and devotion to our nation.

Most Sincerely,

General, US Army

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